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Applicant : Savage et al.
Ser. No. : 09/181,658
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For : **A METHOD AND SYSTEM OF COMBINED BILLING
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Sir:

Applicant hereby appeals the final rejection of claims 1, 4-6, and 9-57 dated January 15, 2002, to the Board of Appeals.

A Final Office Action was originally mailed on October 10, 2001, but Applicant did not receive the Final Office Action until January 2, 2002. Applicant filed a Petition to Reset Period for Reply under MPEP §710.06. The Final Office Action was then sent to the Applicant again with a new mailing date of January 15, 2002.

An Amendment and Response was filed on March 15, 2002. By Advisory Action dated March 26, 2002, the Examiner refused to enter the amendment.

Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$320 for payment of the Notice of Appeal. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees due, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account 50-1458. A duplicate of this sheet is enclosed for that purpose.

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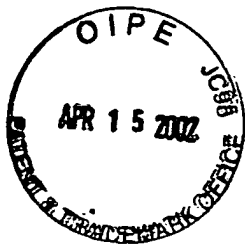
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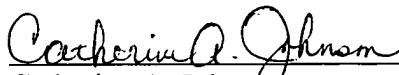
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